

RUNNING DOWN
THREE MENPolice Suspect Them of Los
Angeles Explosion

HUGE REWARD OFFERED

San Francisco Officers Say That Leon-
ard, Morris and Bryson Bought
500 Pounds of Dynamite on
September 24.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The police are almost positive that three men giving their names as Leonard, Morris and Bryson, who bought 500 pounds of dynamite from the Giant Powder company's plant, at Oakland on September 24th, are responsible for the blowing up of the building of the Los Angeles Times last Saturday morning. It is learned that they were anchored off Sausalito in the launch, Peerless, and is it believed that the vessel has been repainted, and that the name has been changed and that she is still in the bay. Detective Burns is here on the trail.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 4.—Under the stimulus of proffered rewards, aggregating nearly \$100,000, hundreds of policemen, detectives and private citizens in all Pacific coast cities are searching for clues to the identity of the conspirators who blew up the Los Angeles Times building last Saturday, causing the death of more than a score of persons, and attempted the destruction of the homes of Gen. Harrison Gray Otis, owner of The Times, and E. J. Zschalander, secretary to the Merchants' & Manufacturers' association.

Police and civil officers believe that at least three men were concerned in the outrage and the city has placed a price of \$10,000 on the head of each. The county yesterday voted an additional reward of \$5,000 for every man captured and convicted, and members of the Merchants' & Manufacturers' association offered a reward of \$50,000 of which \$25,000 has been subscribed.

Upon the assumption that at least three men were responsible for the explosion, the combined offers of reward, thus approximate almost \$100,000, a figure almost unprecedented in the annals of crime pursuits.

The entire city is aroused. One newspaper, that has been friendly to union labor, yesterday printed a front page editorial demanding that in view of the strictures directed at the unions in connection with the explosion, the strikes now on be called off.

BURNED AT STAKE.

Rush Withers, Negro, Killed by Mob at
Andalusia, Ala.

Mobile, Ala., Oct. 4.—An infuriated mob took Rush Withers, a negro, from the jail at Andalusia to-day and burned him at the stake. He had assaulted Mrs. Hiram Stuckey, a white woman.

The Water We Drink.

As the fight for pure foods is helped immensely by the work of the state laboratory, so are the people of Vermont aroused to the danger of polluted water. According to the laboratory's annual report, 615 samples of ground waters were analyzed in 1908, of which 70 less than 75 were found polluted at the present time, and 128 in the past. Of 228 samples of surface water, 101 were polluted.

In 1905 of 500 samples of ground water, 64 were found to be polluted and 119 polluted in past. Of 707 samples of surface waters 75 were polluted. These analyses, it should be said, represent every county in Vermont.

Liquors sold in Vermont show a large percentage of deficiency. Of 68 samples of straight whiskey, 15 were found to be below the standard, while of 207 blended whiskeys, 20 were below standard. Of 21 straight brandy samples, 16 were below standard, while 10 blended samples were all above standard. Five rum samples out of 21 failed to reach the mark, and 1 out of 61 of gin. All the 68 samples of wine and 173 of malt liquors were above standard.

As to milk, of 512 samples from every part of the state, 77 were found to be dirty and 6 of poor quality.

The table of analyses of city and town drinking water is of notable interest. It appears that Burlington city water made a very poor showing for a short time, in 1909, but since then "the plant has given excellent results." Otherwise it appears that in the case of seventeen cities and towns, the analyses show the presence of sewer bacteria. In Middlebury in one analysis out of 11, sewage bacteria was shown; Vergennes, 11 in 11; Bennington, 3 in 11; Hardwick village, 1 in 6; Montpelier, 1 in 5; Northfield village, 1 in 6; Marshfield, 1 in 7; Barre, 2 in 7; Brattleboro, 5 in 14; Rochester, 2 in 7; St. Johnsbury village, 12 in 13; St. Albans, 2 in 25; Jeffersonville, 1 in 6; Stowe, 1 in 4; Morrisville, 1 in 8; Newport, 1 in 5; West Rutland, 32 in 81.—Burlington News.

Urban New England.

Maine exhibited at the last election one of the results of urban ways of thought and habits, for while its cities are not large positively they are large relatively to the make-up of the population. They gave Plained practically ninety per cent. of its plurality, and they undoubtedly acted more or less together in revolt against conditions imposed upon them by rural thought to which political concessions had been made. Of all the New England states, Vermont is the only one which has not a city larger than a good-sized town. Its entire population, however, cannot be much more than half that of the city of Boston, and in density of population it falls behind New Hampshire. It is to be expected, therefore, that "the old way" which made New England once agricultural in more aspects than one still make it last stand among the Green mountains.—Boston Transcript.

WASTING OF WATER
WILL BE PUNISHABLEShortage Has Reached An Acute Stage
at Mount Vernon, N. Y., and That
Vicinity—Borrowing Water
From New York.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Oct. 4.—This city was reduced to half portions of water yesterday and the situation which was relieved a week ago, thanks to New York City, became serious yesterday afternoon. New York's dose of water was poured into the New Rochelle reservoir, but yesterday New Rochelle balked, alleging that more water was going into the Mount Vernon mains than New York was pouring in. As a result the gate connection the two systems was closed at noon and the supply here is very low.

Mayor Blake appealed to New York City last night and obtained permission to tap the greater city's water mains at a new point, eliminating New Rochelle. The work will be completed to-day. Meantime water is so scarce that residents are saving refrigerator drippings, sending live stock across the city boundary lines to be watered, and having nearly all laundry work done elsewhere.

The mayor sent out warning announcing that all persons caught wasting water will be arrested and punished, and the letter carriers, through the postmaster, have requested the postoffice department at Washington to allow them to act as volunteer observers of waste. The water famine throughout West Chester county is becoming more serious hourly. Each day without rain reduces still further the small reserve of the cities and villages' supply. Yorkers is near the end of its resources and only New York's supply remains to be drawn upon, and with the drain of West Chester's population that supply cannot last indefinitely.

DEATH LIST OF 50
IS EXPECTEDBut No Details of Sinking of Steamship
Have Been Received In Panama. Boil-
er Explosion Given as the Cause.

Panama, Oct. 4.—Details are still lacking of the loss of the steamer Chiriqui near the point of Jarachino, but it is believed that fifty people perished. The tug Perico and the steamer Chile are searching the Adriatic water for survivors. The steamer belonged to the Pacific Steamship Navigating company and plied between Panama and Buena Ventura. It is reported that there was an explosion of her boiler of Jarachino. She was of 343 tons register.

GRAND PRIX RACE NOT CANCELLED

Accidents Will Be Guarded Against.
Militia Will Guard the Course.

New York, Oct. 4.—Officials in charge of the grand prix automobile race, scheduled for October 15, declared to-day that all possible agencies would be invoked to eliminate deaths and accidents from the race that day. The race is to start at 10 o'clock, instead of daybreak, and Governor Hughes has urged them to have a detachment of militia guard the course. It is understood that the supervisors of Nassau county would have revoked the permit, but feared they would be sued for damages.

Supervisor C. C. Painter took a decided stand against the race, but it was the general opinion that in view of an indemnity bond now held by the county, given by the Motor Cups Holding company, a civil suit might result from the cancellation of the permit.

With the change in time, the all night vigil, the rush through the early hours to the course and the staying up all night prior to the race will be eliminated. The experience a year ago when the Vanderbilt was run during the middle of the day was that the rush of automobiles did not begin until daylight when the drivers could see where they were going. There was not so great a crowd at any point of the course and the perils of those who had been drinking while waiting for the race was not lowered. These conditions were not so popular and last year's attendance at the Vanderbilt was comparatively small. It was predicted that the grand prize crowd will be similarly decreased.

PUNISHMENT CALLED OFF.

West Point Cadets Were In Trouble For
a Week.

West Point, N. Y., Oct. 4.—By order of General Thomas Barry, superintendent of the military academy, all privileges which were withdrawn a week ago, after the silence given Captain Longan in the mess hall were restored to the cadets last evening. Late yesterday afternoon the board of inquiry stopped the hearing of cadets, and the entire corps was marched to the gymnasium, where they were met by General Barry, who, behind closed doors, gave his several hundred charges a heart to heart talk. The superintendent said as yet he knew nothing of the case other than that which he had read in the newspapers, that there would be punishment for those whom the board of inquiry report implicated, but that would come after consideration of the findings.

GREAT CATHOLIC CEREMONY.

Many Distinguished Officials Attending
Consecration of Cathedral.

New York, Oct. 4.—Cardinal Vincente Vannutelli, a legate of Pope Pius, arrived here to-day to officiate in the consecration of St. Patrick's cathedral. It is expected that the ceremonial will occupy Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and that it will be the most elaborate Catholic ceremony ever held in the city. Besides the legate of the pope, Cardinals Logue and Gibbons and Archbishop Ryan, Ireland, Christie and two score other bishops are expected.

WRECK IS REPORTED.

Two Said to Have Been Injured on
N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad.

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 4.—Officials here report the wreck of the special Adams Express train on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, near Naugatuck to-day. No details have been received, but it is understood that the engineer and the fireman were injured.

AUTO STRUCK
HIS HORSEAnd Forced Roosevelt Into
the Gutter Today

BUT DRIVER WAS NOT HURT

Roosevelt Was Thrown Sideways But
Regained His Seat, Riding on
Smiling. Another Case of
"Roosevelt Luck".

Oyster Bay, Oct. 4.—"Roosevelt luck" was never better shown than when a horse ridden by the colonel was struck a glancing blow by an auto to-day and forced into a ditch. Roosevelt was thrown sideways, but retained his seat, quieted the horse and rode on smiling.

DIED IN BURLINGTON.

Mrs. Louis Soldini of Berlin Street, Who
Had Been Ill Long Time.

Mrs. Louis Soldini of Berlin street died at 5 o'clock this morning at the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington. Mrs. Soldini had been ill for a long time and ten days ago was taken to the hospital for an operation. The body will be brought to the home in this city this evening. Besides her husband, she leaves three sons and two daughters, Henry, Marie, Bernard, Mrs. Frank Galli and Eva Soldini. Mrs. Soldini was 48 years of age and was born in Switzerland. She had resided in Barre about 20 years. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

HILARITY OF SAILORS.

Responsible for Overturning of Launch
in New Hampshire Disaster.

New York, Oct. 4.—The naval board, which has been investigating the New Hampshire disaster, completed its work to-day and reported to Washington. The hilarity of the sailors was alone responsible for the overturning of the launch. The death list is now 25. Midshipman Chevalier is a nervous wreck. He is likely to get a medal of honor.

UNDERWENT OPERATION.

In Splendid Condition and Recovery As-
sured by Physicians.

Rochester, Minn., Oct. 4.—Senator La-follette was successfully operated upon at the Mayo Brothers' hospital to-day for gall stones. The physicians announced that La-follette was in splendid condition and that there is every chance for his recovery.

Tawney's Defeat.

Not the least stunning blow which the Republican regulars have received in the present wave of unrest, has come in the defeat in the Minnesota primaries of James A. Tawney, chairman of the appropriations committee of the House of Representatives, in behalf of whom Mr. Tawney made his celebrated Winona speech on the western trip of a year ago. Besides, Tawney has been beaten in spite of the support of most of the "insurgent" newspapers of the state. They have taken the view that the position to which he had attained in the House—much like that of Mr. McCall of this state—makes him so important a factor in legislation that he should be kept in office regardless of his views on Canon, conservation, the secret service, etc. That was a commonsense position. A district takes some chances when it retires from public life the chairman of what is, all things considered, the most important committee in Congress, to put in his seat a man who four years hence will surely be a nonentity, besides standing a large chance of never rising above the practical.

Tawney's defeat is particularly regrettable because of the practical work which he has done for retrenchment in public expenditures. He has been one of the comparatively few men in public life upon whom the prodigious waste of present day government operations has made a distinctly unpleasant impression; and he long ago started out to see what he could do to check the tide. When called on to deliver a Memorial day address at Gettysburg, his native town, some years ago, he devoted it wholly to federal expenditures, not sparing in his discussion the contribution to this total due to wars past and to come, including of course pensions, an outlay to which the assembled veterans before him were supposedly much indebted. Tawney has always been conspicuous. He was selected for the chairmanship of his committee over the man in line for it because of Mr. Cannon's perception of Mr. Tawney's capacity for hewing to the line. His controversy with President Roosevelt during the last months of his administration, over the secret service expenditures may be well remembered.

Tawney and the ex-president have been at odds for some time, while Mr. Taft, with his greater regard for the regular order, has stood with the Minnecott. On the president's long trip last year, his defence of Aldrich and finance reform in Boston and of Tawney and the tariff at Winona, more than anything else, displaced the insurgents. Now Tawney goes down in defeat. Congress, after March fourth, will have many vacant chairs, and particularly in its "seats of the mighty." Both Senate and House seem likely to reorganize in the sixty-second Congress with new men in most of the places of leadership.—Boston Transcript.

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FORECLOSURE ON RAILROAD.

Burlington & Hinesburg Company Going
Through One of Its Changes.

Burlington, Oct. 4.—The Central Trust company of New York, as trustee, has instituted foreclosure proceedings against the Burlington & Hinesburg railroad, a railroad which was never operative because it was never finished. The railroad was projected in 1894 and about 75 per cent. of the grading was done and five miles of the fourteen miles of rail were laid. Since that time the rails have been rusting. It is said that \$125,000 was sunk in the work.

The Central Trust company of New York was the trustee, a mortgage being given to that corporation to secure the issue of stocks and bonds. The bill of complaint asks that the mortgage, bearing date August 25, 1896, be foreclosed, that the lien of the mortgage be established as a lien upon the property of the road, that a sale of said property be ordered and that a receiver or receivers be appointed.

The company resolved to issue in 1896, \$500,000 five per cent. bonds, payable at the expiration of 30 years, each of the value of \$500, amounting in all to \$400,000. About \$250,000 worth of the bonds were issued. Ninety per cent. of the bonds issued are represented by the Central Trust company, which are the property of H. D. Clark. They are scattered hither and yon about the country.

SILAS W. FLINN DEAD.

He Was a Former City Judge of St.
Albans.

Milton, Oct. 4.—The Hon. Silas W. Flinn died suddenly of heart failure at 2:30 yesterday afternoon at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Jane Flinn, with whom he boarded. He was born in Milton, December 20, 1836, was educated in the schools here and taught school for several terms. From 1886 to 1889 he was in the mercantile business. In the latter year he went to St. Albans and entered the law office of Ballard & Burleson, being admitted to the bar in 1892.

For several years he was a member of the law firm of Watson & Flinn, and for four years from 1894 to 1898 he was judge of the city court of St. Albans. He was active in republican politics for several years and was a member of Seneca Lodge, No. 40, F. and A. M., of Milton. He married August 1, 1884, Mrs. Emma C. Ryan of St. Albans, who with two children, Burke H. and Barbara E., survive him. He is also survived by his father, Richard Flinn of Underhill, a brother, Edward B. Flinn of Springfield, and a sister, Mrs. Lucius C. Fowler of Underhill. The arrangements for the funeral have not been completed, but it will probably be held Wednesday afternoon.

MARRIED 50 YEARS AGO.

Mr. and Mrs. Lysander A. Barrows of
Stowe Observed Anniversary.

Stowe, Oct. 4.—Mr. and Mrs. Lysander A. Barrows celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage yesterday afternoon. A reception during the afternoon and evening was attended by many of their friends, among them being their three daughters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll L. Munn of Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Adams of Stowe, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Robinson of Malone, N. Y., and grandchildren, Gaylord Munn and Miss Reba Munn of Johnson. Two granddaughters, Mrs. Ray E. Stearns and Mrs. Ernest Ackerman of Vermont, and one great-grandson, the little son of Mrs. Stearns, who were unable to be present, complete the family circle. Mr. Barrows, who has been a lifelong resident of Stowe, is a successful farmer, 75 years of age. Mrs. Barrows was formerly Miss Mary Angeline Town and was born in Barre but has passed most of her life in Stowe. She is 75 years of age and has been an invalid for several years. Mr. and Mrs. Barrows were married in Montpelier by the Rev. Mr. Ford, October 3, 1860. The farm on West hill on which they now live, has been their home for 45 years.

MAYOR VETOES RESOLUTION.

Authorizing Reduction of Rates on
Municipal Electricity.

Burlington, Oct. 4.—Mayor James E. Burke last night sent to the board of aldermen a communication vetoing the resolution authorizing the reduction of electric light rates from ten cents per unit to five and four cents, according to the amount used.

The mayor's veto is contained in a message to the board, in which the chief executive sets forth his reasons for the disapproval. The mayor bases his action in vetoing the proposed resolution upon the following grounds: First, that about 87 cities in New England are paying more for lights than is Burlington; second, that Burlington is now saving per year on its 250 street lights \$817.16, as compared with the price being paid by 14 cities in Massachusetts, and that the city, as compared with the former price of street lights, is saving \$3,885 per year.

CANNOT AFFORD FILTER.

Rutland Uses Three Times As Much Wa-
ter As Burlington.

Rutland, Oct. 4.—In connection with the investigation as to the quality and quantity of the Rutland water supply, a weir has been put in the stream for a few days and it has been ascertained that the city's daily consumption is 3,800,000 gallons, which is three times what the city of Burlington uses, according to state engineer J. W. Votey. Experts say that in view of this revelation a filtration plant, which for many years has been advocated for Rutland, would be out of the question, as a plant which would take care of the amount of water now being used, would cost many times more than a city the size of Rutland could afford.

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STATE UPHELD
ON TAX LAWHas Right to Tax Savings De-
posits in National Banks

WHEN HELD BY RESIDENTS

Opinion Rendered This Morning By Ver-
mont Supreme Court on Opening
Of October Term In Mont-
pelier Today.

The law giving the state right to tax savings deposits in national banks was upheld to-day by the Vermont supreme court in a decision rendered in the case of State vs. Clement National Bank of Rutland, with the proviso that the law contemplates only the taxation of such deposits who are residents of Vermont. Judge Munson dissents from the opinion, taking the ground that the new law contemplates the taxing of all depositors. This case grew out of the refusal of the Clement National bank to pay taxes on its savings deposits, whereupon the state sued and the case was recently argued in supreme court.

The only other opinion rendered to-day at the opening of the October term was that in the case of the Sheldon county grammar school vs. George T. Howard, in which the decision of the lower court in favor of the defendant was reversed and the cause was remanded to the lower court.

One other feature of the opening of supreme court was the presentation of the portrait of Chief Judge John W. Rowell at the supreme court chamber in the State House. Very fine remarks in commendation of Judge Rowell were made by W. B. C. Stickney who had been delegated for the part. There were nearly 75 lawyers in attendance at these exercises, as well as for the opening of the term of court.

STATE GIVES UP CHASE
FOR TWO RESPONDENTSCoon and Dennis Who Were Indicted
for Manslaughter in Waterbury
Asylum Case—Other Cases
Not Prossed.

The criminal court docket in Washington county court has received a decided smacking up since the state cases were taken up yesterday afternoon, many cases have been not prossed and a few continued. Two manslaughter cases, those of state vs. B. D. Coon and state vs. J. J. Dennis, former employees at the state insane asylum, were ordered not carried forward. The two men were indicted for the death of a patient at the state institution, and while awaiting trial they were released on bail, since which time they have not been located by the prosecution.

Other crimes made were as follows: State vs. Charles Scott, selling, not prossed; state vs. George McCarthy, selling, not brought forward; state vs. John Darlan, selling, not carried forward; state vs. Daniel Gibson, rape, not prossed; state vs. Mrs. David Secor, selling, not prossed; state vs. A. Di-versi, pool room, not prossed; state vs. Intoxicating liquor, Mrs. Catherine Casini, keeper, apt., and Joseph Wobly, same charge, not brought forward; state vs. Milo Carr, breach of the peace, not prossed; state vs. Glenn Parker, breach of the peace, continued; state vs. Jerome Jones, breach of the peace, not prossed; state vs. Alice Seelye, a patient at the state institution, not prossed; state vs. E. Fernandez, keeping, not prossed; state vs. I. Meglierin, breach of the peace, not prossed; state vs. Roy George, larceny, not brought forward; state vs. John Ryan, breach of the peace, continued; state vs. Frank St. Clair, selling, not prossed; state vs. Grant Hussey, felonious assault, not prossed.

In the case of state vs. Edgar Hawes, the respondent pleaded guilty to assault and he was placed on probation. In state vs. Thomas O'Leary, breach of the peace, a plea of guilty was entered in state vs. Irving Scales, larceny, the sale.

Sylester Mahoney was arraigned on the charge of selling, and bail was fixed at \$500. Leon Colburn was arraigned for obtaining money under false pretences and bail was fixed by Judge Hall at \$800. In addition to this criminal business, the court also heard two divorce petitions and granted divorces, one to E. H. Goodell from Melbaite Goodell and the other to Cora E. Benjamin from Alton M. Benjamin, both on the ground of adultery.

SUPERIOR JUDGES CONFER.

About Matters of Practice and Proceed-
ure for the Year.

The superior judges met at the Pavilion in Montpelier last evening to confer about matters of practice and procedure in the county courts. All were present except Judge Stanton, whose duty kept him in Orleans county. Various matters were discussed including the matter of assignments for vacation commencing December 1, 1910. The rule heretofore adopted was approved for the ensuing year. Under this rule the chief judge takes assignment of the sixth superior judge for the past year and each judge takes the assignment for the preceding one.

C. E. CONVENTION OPENS.

President Benjamin Swift of Woodstock
Read His Message.

Barton, Oct. 4.—The 25th annual convention of the Vermont Christian Endeavor union opened in the Congregational church here last night. State President Benjamin Swift of Woodstock delivered his annual message. An address on "Life More Abundant" was given by Walter D. Howell of Boston.

TAKING CENSUS OF BARRE.

140 Enumerators Went Out at 9 o'clock
This Morning.

The work of obtaining Vermont state census of the city of Barre, Granville, Westerville, East Barre and South Barre had a vigorous beginning at 9 o'clock this morning, when canvassers to the number of 140, commenced the enumeration under the direction of the different ward superintendents. The local canvass is a part of the general enumeration undertaken by the State Sunday School association throughout the state. Miss Edith Balch, who has charge of the field work of the association in the capacity of field secretary, is present, and through her wide experience in work of this kind, she is able to offer many valuable suggestions to the enumerators.

A home to home canvass will be made in each one of the precincts named, and an effort will be made to complete the work to-day. To-morrow morning all the canvassers will meet in the Congregational church, where the statistics secured will be compiled under the direction of the general superintendent of the census, Rev. E. O. Thayer, pastor of the Heddington Methodist church. It is now expected that the work of tabulating the returns will occupy at least a day.

Following is a list of the superintendents and the wards over which they will have charge: Ward one, Miss Edith Barnes; ward two, Mrs. H. G. Woodruff; ward three, Mrs. Stowe; ward four, Mrs. James Darling; ward five, Mrs. Alice Curtis; ward six, Mrs. Frank Cave. A largely attended meeting was held in the Heddington Methodist church last evening to complete the final arrangements for the work. Rev. E. O. Thayer called the meeting to order and Rev. J. W. Barnett offered a prayer. Mr. Thayer then thanked those who had offered their services in the work, and closed by introducing Miss Balch, who spoke for several minutes on the object of the census which is being taken through the state. She explained that the purpose of the enumeration was to obtain more definite figures in regard to Sunday school attendance in the state, and necessarily to find out just who went to church and who remained at home. Miss Balch has been engaged as field secretary of the state association for the past three years, and is familiar with every detail of the work.

At the close of her remarks, the various enumerators, numbering 110, in all, who were assembled, were assigned their places for to-day. No difficulty in obtaining prompt and complete returns is anticipated by any of the ward superintendents.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER
IS CHIEF FEATUREThere Are Several Candidates for Place
and Democrats Hope to Gain by
Massing Their Votes for
Someone.

The Vermont legislature of 1910 will convene at the State House to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, and all during to-day, there was a big incoming of legislators, together with state officials, to Montpelier. The leading candidates for speaker of the House are there, including the two foremost, Frank E. Howe of Bennington and H. S. Peck of Burlington. Both express themselves as satisfied with the situation at this present time. Another possible candidate is Justus Dart of Springfield. His chief advocate is Joseph Battell of Middlebury. R. W. McQueen of Vergennes has a considerable following from Addison county, while Allen M. Fletcher of Cavendish is also heard mentioned. All these are veterans of the legislature.

The Democrats will make an effort to get something out of the speakership contest if they do not get the office itself. They will hold a caucus to-night to lay their plans. If the 46 members stay united the leaders think they can command the situation after casting a complimentary vote for one of their number and that by swinging their influence for a certain Republican candidate, they can secure better recognition on the committee. Charles D. Watson of St. Albans, the defeated candidate for speaker, is marshalling the forces of the minority party.

Among the names mentioned as possible Democratic candidates for speaker, are Rev. J. Wesley Miller of Bethel, Fred L. Webster of Swanton, John E. Mann of St. Albans. Of these Rev. Mr. Miller is the only veteran, having represented Bethel two years ago. Mr. Webster is a prominent Franklin county lawyer. Mr. Mann is a Central Vermont railroad conductor and was one of the committee engaged in the negotiations of the recent strike settlement. He is likely to be a leading spokesman for labor union interests in any event, as he is considered a strong union man.

The election of speaker will be one of the first things to be done to-morrow. Another will be the election of president pro tem in the Senate. Three men have been prominently mentioned for this office, John W. Gordon of Barre, Porter H. Dale of Island Pond and F. C. Archibald of Manchester. The Senate will be called to order by Lieut.-Gov. Mead who will later surrender the gavel to the incoming lieutenant-governor, L. P. Slack, after which the governor will take his place in the executive chamber to succeed Governor Protry.

GOV. MEAD'S STAFF

Were Named To-day, Headed by D. L.
Morgan of Rutland.

Governor-elect Mead to-day announced his staff as follows: D. L. Morgan of Rutland, chief of staff, with rank of colonel. Dr. John M. Allen of St. Johnsbury, chief surgeon, rank of colonel. Harvey R. Kingsley of Rutland, secretary of civil and military affairs, rank of major.

George H. Thompson of Bellows Falls, Capt. C. H. Senter of Montpelier, Capt. L. D. Taylor of Brattleboro. These last three are from the National Guard, according to the law.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank all my friends for their kind support, during the recent piano contest, at the Red Cross pharmacy.

Lillian Hamel.

Miss Rosalind Malliot, a waitress in one of the hotels at Rutland, was severely burned on one arm, Friday, from the elbow to the wrist, by the tipping over of a cup of boiling coffee. A doctor was called to dress the wound.

FIVE CHANGES
ARE APPROVEDFor Amendments to Barre
City Charter

BY LEGISLATURE OF 1910

City Council Last Night Accepted Rec-
ommendations of Its Legislative
Committee. Other Union
Business Done.

The principal business before the city council at its regular meeting last evening was the consideration of amendments to the city charter which had been referred to the legislative committee to get into shape to be presented at the coming legislature for enactment.

Five amendments in all were considered and ordered put before the legislature for passage, as follows: 1. Changing the time of opening the polls at city elections and all other elections to 9 a. m., from 9 a. m.; 2. amending section 7, so that the city council shall have the power to appoint a board of health comprised of three persons, one of whom shall be a physician and said physician shall be the health officer for the city and this act to supersede and take the place of all general laws inconsistent with it that may have been or shall be hereafter enacted, also adding city physician to the officers which the mayor shall appoint each year;

Three. Amending section 4 so that the city can order any street watered or "oiled" and shall assess the abutters on each side of the street, the street railway and the city each one fourth of the expense; amending section 70, giving the city the right to "reissue water bonds not to exceed at any time, together with the outstanding bonds, \$250,000, for the purpose only of making permanent improvements on plant;" amending section 48 so that legal voters of the city can vote in any ward where their names appear on the check list whether they are residents of that ward or not for any state or city officers except those of alderman and school commissioner, in which case they must then have been a resident of the ward for at least 30 days immediately prior to the election.

Building permits were ordered granted to H. J. Shylen to erect a building, 12 by 12, on Railroad street to be used for a store; to Mrs. Nellie Callaghan to make repairs at 102 Seminary street and to H. A. Segel to make repairs at 107 Washington street. The house numbers were ordered run at Ossola place. The overseer of the poor reported that he had spent \$410.35 for the support of the poor during the month of September.